

## **NATIONAL NIGHT OUT IN CUDAHY INCLUDES LONG LIST OF SAFETY DEMONSTRATIONS, DISPLAYS, FOOD AND FUN**

**CUDAHY** – (July 28, 2010) -- A full summer of free, family-focused events continues in Cudahy with National Night Out on Thursday, August 5, 2010.

Not only will residents get safety tips and information about crime and drug prevention, but they'll also enjoy demonstrations and displays by the Cudahy Police Department, Fire Department and others, as well as children's games, entertainment and food.

Cudahy Police Officer Robert Jachowicz leads the committee that plans National Night Out in Cudahy. He says this event is a fun way to arm people with the information they need to protect themselves and their community.

"It's important that citizens be pro-active and rally together against crime," Officer Jachowicz said. "And it's never too early to start teaching children about personal safety, the dangers of drugs and alcohol and how to avoid becoming victims."

National Night Out in Cudahy is scheduled for Thursday, August 5, 2010 from 4:00 p.m. until 8:00 p.m. in the Library Municipal Parking Lot, located at the intersection of Packard and Munkwitz Avenues.

The annual event follows four weeks of family movie nights in June, the City's first-class 4th of July festivities and an International Cycling Classic bicycle race downtown. It's all part of an increased effort to encourage community involvement in Cudahy.

"Activities like these go a long way toward bringing neighborhoods together," said Mayor Tony Day. "We're proud of everything we've done over the last several months to build a greater sense of unity in Cudahy."

National Night Out in Cudahy will feature:

- "Ezzo" and the Cudahy Police Department's K-9 Unit
- Cudahy P.D.'s Tactical Unit
- Cudahy Fire Department ladder truck and Jaws of Life
- Survive Alive House
- Children's bounce house
- Bike safety checks, helmet fittings and a bike rodeo
- Milwaukee Police Department "Bearcat" armored assault vehicle
- Mounted patrol from the Milwaukee County Sheriff's Department
- U.S. Coast Guard helicopter
- Officials from the 128th Air National Guard and the U.S. Army, Marines and Navy
- Custom vehicle display
- Cudahy High School Pom Pon Squad and C.H.S. Cheerleading Squad
- Hair painting by Cost Cutters
- Food tents including pizza, Mexican cuisine and sandwiches

National Night Out events take place in cities around the country in an effort to spread information about crime and drug prevention; generate support for local anti-crime programs; strengthen neighborhood spirit and police-community partnerships and send a message to criminals that neighborhoods are organized and fighting back.

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## **CITY OF CUDAHY ASSESSES STORM DAMAGE, OFFERS ADVICE FOR HOMEOWNERS AND RENTERS WITH DAMAGED PROPERTY**

**CUDAHY** – (July 23, 2010) -- As the rain continues the City of Cudahy continues to monitor the well-being of its citizens and the condition of roads and sewers.

Department of Public Works crews responded immediately to clear catch basins and police and fire teams moved quickly to block off flooded streets. Those efforts are ongoing.

Cudahy Mayor Tony Day asks that motorists observe the barricades and not try to drive past them or move them aside. In addition, drivers are reminded not to try to maneuver through standing water.

Free curbside pick-up of flood-damaged items began today and will continue Monday as needed. Residents should make items are placed along the curb or they may not be picked up.

The City of Cudahy Health Department has a supply of flood kits for people who need them. The Red Cross located at 26th and Wisconsin in Milwaukee also has kits available.

Residents who need to report flood damage are asked to pick up the necessary forms at Cudahy City Hall (5050 S. Lake Dr.), the Cudahy Family Library (3500 Library Dr.) or download them from the City website, [www.cudahy-wi.gov](http://www.cudahy-wi.gov). Information also can be found through Milwaukee County by dialing 2-1-1.

Information about the safe clean-up of flooded basements also can be found at Cudahy City Hall, the Cudahy Family Library and on the City website.

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## **UW HEALTH RESEARCH PROJECT VISITS CUDAHY HOUSEHOLDS THIS SUMMER Wisconsin First in Nation to Conduct Statewide Health Check-Up**

The Survey of the Health of Wisconsin (SHOW), is the University of Wisconsin School of Medicine and Public Health's new statewide research project. Every year, SHOW meets with Wisconsin residents from all over the state to measure their health. This summer, the survey teams will visit households in Cudahy.

SHOW surveyors will knock on the doors of randomly selected households to complete a multistep in-person health survey. SHOW combines personal interviews, laboratory tests, physical measurements, and community environmental measurements to gather important information on our health. The information that SHOW compiles will be made available to researchers who are interested in Wisconsin's public health issues.

In order for SHOW's health measurements to be truly representative of Wisconsin's population, the survey randomly selects households from throughout the state. Roughly 1,200 households from neighborhoods around Wisconsin are invited to participate each year.

"SHOW aims to present a picture of the health of people in Wisconsin," said Dr. F. Javier Nieto of the University of Wisconsin's School of Medicine and Public Health and Director of SHOW. "Our vision is that the information SHOW collects through the years will play an important role in monitoring the health of Wisconsin people, and in guiding community and statewide health services."

Cudahy-area study participants will be interviewed in their homes, and later have some brief physical measurements taken at SHOW's specially designed Mobile Survey Center, which travels

the state to easily reach participants. All the individual information collected by SHOW will be kept confidential.

"SHOW will provide us with current health and prospective clinical information never before available in Wisconsin," said Dr. Henry Anderson, Chief Medical Officer for the state Bureau of Environmental and Occupational Health in the Division of Public Health. "The results of this survey and clinical examinations will measure the current health status of all Wisconsin residents. This survey will make us better equipped to develop initiatives that will help make Wisconsin healthier than ever."

The SHOW research project is modeled after the CDC's National Health and Nutrition Examination Survey (NHANES), which has provided key health information about the nation's health for over 40 years. With the launch of SHOW, Wisconsin will be the first state to monitor the health of its residents with a survey of this magnitude. Using NHANES as a guide, SHOW is specially designed for the Wisconsin population by including regionally important health measures, such as local environment assessments and Great Lakes fish consumption.

SHOW is funded by the National Institutes of Health's Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and by the University of Wisconsin's Partnership for a Healthy Future, which represents a far-reaching commitment by UW School of Medicine and Public Health to greatly improve the health of people in Wisconsin for years to come.

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### **Have a Fun and Safe 4th of July Holiday**

The Cudahy Police Department wishes residents and visitors a fun and safe 4th of July holiday, and reminds people that ALL firecrackers, fireworks and explosive devices are illegal under Cudahy ordinance.

The ordinance includes sparklers, which according to the U.S. Consumer Product Safety Commission cause the most fireworks-related injuries for children under the age of six. In addition, fireworks permits purchased at fireworks stands are NOT valid in Cudahy.

"Citations will be issued to citizens observed setting off fireworks," said Police Chief Thomas D. Poellot. "Like they do every year, our officers will be watching and listening for violations."

Chief Poellot's warning comes one year after the devastating fire at Patrick Cudahy, which was sparked accidentally by a military flare launched onto the roof of the meatpacking plant over the Independence Day holiday. Brothers Kurtis and Joshua Popp are spending the next three Julys behind bars as a reminder of the incident.

The Cudahy Police Department asks residents and visitors to leave the fireworks to the professionals and come down to Sheridan Park on Sunday, July 4th for one of the area's largest fireworks displays.

The fine for violating the fireworks ordinance in Cudahy is \$177.

Under Wisconsin law, anyone who possesses or uses fireworks without a valid permit, or who sells fireworks to a person without a valid permit, is subject to a \$1,000 fine per violation. Each firework illegally possessed, used or sold may be a separate violation.

A parent or guardian who allows a minor to possess or use fireworks is subject to a \$1,000 fine per violation.

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